



By the King.

A Proclamation for the commanding of all Souldiers,  
lately employed in the Fleete, vpon their arriuall, not to  
depart from their Colours.



Hereas diuers of the Ships, which were lately set to  
Sea in Our Fleete in October last, are expected shortly to arriue in  
some of Our Ports, in the westerne parts of this Our Realme, and  
many of the Land Souldiers, employed by Us in that Service, are also  
expected to returne home in those Ships: Forasmuch as wee shall  
haue present vse of the Service of those Souldiers, who, if they shoule  
retire themselves and be dis-banded, could not bee so easily gathered to-  
gether againe, as the necessity of their Service doth require; Our expresse pleasure therefore is,  
and wee doe hereby straitly charge and command, That no Souldier, which was employed in  
any of those Ships, vpon their arriuall in any Port of this Our Realme, or in any part of Our  
Dominions, shall depart from his Colours, or be discharged from his Service, vntill wee shall  
signifie Our Royall pleasure, when, and how we will vse their further Service: And this to bee  
strictly obserued and obeyed by all, whome it may concerne, vpon paine of the severest Punish-  
ments, Penalties, and Forfeitures, which by the Lawes and Statutes of this Our Realme,  
or by Our Prerogative Royall can be inflicted vpon the Offenders.

Giuen at Our Court at Windsor, the fifteenth day of December, in the first yeere of Our Reigne of Great  
Britaine, France and Ireland.

God saue the King.

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to the Kings most Excellent Maiestie.  
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